AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. Please amend claims 8 and 14, and add new claims 15 and 16 as follows:

Listing of Claims

Claims 1-8 (Cancelled)

- 8. (Currently Amended) A method of identifying and registering persons based on pre-existing identification data, in particular for Internet applications, comprising the processing steps of:
- a) defining a URL/domain name system in accordance with a <u>structure and a</u> defined system of pre-existing identification data stored in at least one database,
- b) formulating URL/domain name notation rules in accordance with the defined system of pre-existing identification data, and
- c) designating codes and the associated URLs/domain names on the basis of the defined system of pre-existing identification data and in accordance with the formulated URL/domain name notation rules, and implementing at least a part of the URLs/domain names in the Internet.
- 9. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein the method also comprises the processing steps of:
 - d) registering data of persons,
 - e) creating a data carrier on the basis of the registered data, and
 - f) linking the data carrier to a specific URL/domain name.
- 10. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 9, wherein the method further comprises the processing step of:
 - g) making specific URLs/domain names accessible to the public.
- 11. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 9, wherein the method further comprises the processing step of:
 - h) providing services by means of a data carrier.

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- 12. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 9, wherein the method further comprises the processing steps of:
 - i) incorporating registered data of persons in data files,
 - j) incorporating the data files in a search system, and
- k) providing an interface with search options for generating results on request as a response to a query.
- 13. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein the method is applied within specific Top Level Domains and/or Sub Level Domains.
- 14. (Currently Amended) An assembly of hardware and software for identifying and registering persons based on pre-existing identification data, in particular for Internet applications, comprising the processing steps of:
- a) defining a URL/domain name system in accordance with a <u>structure and a</u> defined system of pre-existing identification data stored in at least one database.
- b) formulating URL/domain name notation rules in accordance with the defined system of pre-existing identification data, and
- c) designating codes and the associated URLs/domain names on the basis of the defined system of pre-existing identification data and in accordance with the formulated URL/domain name notation rules, and implementing at least a part of the URLs/domain names in the Internet, the assembly comprising:

a network of servers for designating and making available the URLs/domain names,

at least one database coupled to the network of servers and having registered data of persons of URLs/domain names, and

hardware and software for inputting, localizing and presenting the registered data.

15. (New) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein the structure is one of:

a host, a sub-level domain, and a top-level domain with dots;

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a host, a sub-level domain, and a top-level domain with dashes; and

a host, a sub-level domain, and a top-level domain followed by a separator character and after which is placed a country code, area code or telephone number of the subscriber to be visited.

16. (New) The method as claimed in claim 14, wherein the structure is one of:

a host, a sub-level domain, and a top-level domain with dots;

a host, a sub-level domain, and a top-level domain with dashes; and

a host, a sub-level domain, and a top-level domain followed by a separator character and after which is placed a country code, area code or telephone number of the subscriber to be visited.